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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, § 1.97, and § 1.98, Applicants herewith make of record the following publications which may be material during the prosecution of the above-referenced patent application.

European Publication No. EP 0 940 864 A2 (Application No. 99301505.6),  
published September 9, 1999.

European Publication No. EP 0 994 523 A1 (Application No. 99308116.5),  
published April 19, 2000.

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